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Banks.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....\$300,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$350,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1896. [31]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital.....\$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—

D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.

H. Stolzenfels, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chan Kit Shan, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [7]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$3,600,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

St. C. Michaelsen, Esq.—Chairman.

Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving—Deputy Chairman.

C. Beurmann, Esq. A. I. Raymond, Esq.

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David Gubbay, Esq. Gerald Slade, Esq.

Chief Manager:
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.

Manager:
Shanghai—J. P. Wade Gardner, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Account at the rate of 3 per Cent.

per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1897. [2]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ Per

Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED

DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1897. [9]

INSURANCES.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$4,420,000

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM.....\$ 757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the

above Company, we are prepared to accept

ACCEPT EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS

AT CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, and January, 1897. [74]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above

Company are prepared to accept First

CLASS FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS, AT

CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [18]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000} \$833,333.33.

EQUAL TO.....\$38,000.00.

RESERVE FUND.....\$38,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEKU MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken

at CURRENT RATES, to all parts of the

World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,

Hongkong, 1st December, 1895. [26]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept

MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,

&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world

payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE—

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1894. [30]

Amusement.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

PROMENADE CONCERT

AND

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

SATURDAY, the 5th June, 1897.

Weather Permitting.

AT HEADQUARTERS,

commencing at 9.15 P.M.

TICKETS may be obtained from Messrs. W.

RONINSON & Co., Queen's Road.

By kind permission, the FAND of the WEST

YORKSHIRE REGIMENT will take part in the

CONCERT.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1897. [876]

Intimations.

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(30)

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

LONDON & Co. Robilla F. Cole Noon, 3rd June. [See Special

Advertisement.

JAPAN Ancona W. D. Modic Noon, 4th June. [Freight or Passage.

LONDON Sunda S. G. Andrews About 10th June. [Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1897. [5]

Intimations.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's

Office, No. 9, Plaza Central, Hongkong, on

SATURDAY, the 9th day of June, 1897, at

NOON, when the abovementioned resolutions will be

proposed.

Should the resolutions be duly passed they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

THE RESOLUTIONS:

(1)—That the Capital of the Company be

increased to the sum of \$300,000 Hongkong

Currency by the issue of thirty thousand

new shares of ten dollars each to be issued

at a premium of ten dollars each, such price

of ten dollars each and also such premium

of ten dollars each to be payable in such

amounts, at such times, and on such conditions

as the General Managers shall from time

to time determine.

(2)—That twenty thousand of such new shares

be offered to the persons who on the 1st

day of July, 1897, shall be the registered

shareholders of the old or existing shares

in the proportion of one new share for every

old or existing share and such offer shall be

made by a notice specifying the number of

new shares which each such registered

shareholder shall be entitled to take up and

limiting a time within which the offer if not

To-day's
Advertisements.

BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 7th Instant, WHIT MONDAY. For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEORGE MUNRO,
for Chief Manager.
For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
Hongkong Agency,
G. G. F. AUGUSTIN,
Manager.
For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,
CHANTREY INCHBEALD,
Manager.
For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
NAO NABEKRA,
Agent.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [884]

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

The Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 7th Instant (WHIT MONDAY).—
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LTD.

W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent,
NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

SHEWAN, TOWES & CO.,
Agents,
YANOTSEI INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LTD.

J. B. COUGHTRETT,
Secretary,
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

W. H. T. DAVIS,
Acting Manager,
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [885]

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that FRIDAY next, the 6th instant (9th M.O., 18th DAY) being the CHINESE MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the Kowloon Customs Office, Options Examination Office and Stations.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of Junks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 1st June, 1897. [885]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer "ARATOON A' CAR" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 3rd instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected
Bills of Lading will be countermanded by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [886]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT),
THE Company's Steamship

"WOODS," will be despatched as above TO-
MORROW, the 7th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [887]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN,
VIA SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG," Captain Oudebridge, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 2nd instant, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [888]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"WHAMPOA," Captain Moore, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 3rd instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [889]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR MARSEILLES.

THE Company's Steamship

"TURBO," Captain J. Morris, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th instant.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [890]

To-day's
Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 1st
June, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brothers are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [891]

TO LET.

FURNISHED
TWO ROOMS in the KOWLOON HOTEL
Apply to NEW VICTORIA HOTEL
Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [892]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
"CHINUSANG,"

Captain Bell, will be despatched as above on
TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [893]

MOSCOW-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE,
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL
THE Steamship

"SIKH,"

to sail about 12th June 1897.

S.S. "AR' YLL," to sail about 25th June 1897.

S.S. "AFRIDI," to sail about 7th July 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [894]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SASA-PARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO.'S WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear compari-
son with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESES and
other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [895]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS to "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO.,
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MANUFACTURERS OF
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WATERS.

OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted with
the best English Machinery, embodying the
latest improvements in the trade.

The Finest Ingredients only are used, and the
utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in the
Manufacture throughout.

The Water used is proved by repeated
Analyses to be Absolutely Pure.

FOR COAST PORTS, Water is packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and
the full amount allowed for Packages and
Empties when received in good order.

Counterfall Order Books supplied on applica-
tion.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."

And all signed messages addressed thus will
receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept
ready in Stock—

PURE AERATED WATER,

SODA WATER,

LEMONADE,

POTASH WATER,

SELTZER WATER,

LITHIA WATER,

SASA-PARILLA WATER,

TONIC WATER,

GINGER ALE,

GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or
greasy, or that appear to have been used for any
other purpose than that of containing Aerated
Waters, as such Bottles are never used again
by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1897. [896]

BIRTH.

AT "Dovecot," Singapore, on the 23rd May,
M. S. MARTIN, a son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 27th of May, at H. B. M.'s Consulate,
General, Shanghai, by Sir Nicholas J. Hannan,
Consul-General, and afterwards at the Holy
Trinity Cathedral, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges
M.A., GORGE, fifth son of Mr. Barnes Dallas,
of Shanghai, to BEATRICE MAUD, second
daughter of the late W. H. CLIMES, Esq.,
of St. John's, London.

must always be favourable to the Government,
because a majority of the Council
are always Government servants and
must vote with the Government, the
Government having already committed
itself by its approval of the site and of the
proposals of the Sanitary Board. If our
readers will only call to mind the action
of the Government with reference to
"Price's Folly" in the Battery Path-
way they will see to what they are
exposing themselves—any latrine fre-
quented by the public, whether Govern-
ment property or private property, may
be put up anywhere, and the public
and the adjoining property owners, no
matter how much they may suffer, are
helpless if a resolution "by order" of the
Legislative Council sets aside their
objections. How terribly afraid the
Attorney-General is and the Government
with him of the Courts and of the laws
they administer! Why not refer objectors
to the Supreme Court in a summary
fashion, with certain definite powers and
precise limitations? Oh! no! The Courts
might entertain the objections. The Legis-
lative Council cannot! We hope that Mr. WHIT-
HEAD, Mr. CHATER, the Land Investment Company,
and others interested in land and house
property in Hongkong will wake up to
the fact that a grave injustice is being
done them and a very serious inroad made
on the recognised right of property. The
Government has in the past grossly neglec-
ted its duty in not providing proper
public accommodation, and it now wants
to atoms in a hurry for all its past defi-
cencies, not only at the public expense but
at the expense of the unfortunate property
owner, who is absolutely innocent in the
premises.

We note with some astonishment and a
considerable amount of disgust that several
officers of the Government have petitioned
the Governor for increased
salaries and that His Excellency has ap-
pointed a Committee to investigate and report
on the recommendation of the last
adjustment of salaries, some serious
iniquities left unredressed, and one or two
of the sufferers may be among the
applicants at the present time, but from
what we have been able to gather, the
Committee has not been appointed for the
purpose of redressing mistakes made in
the past. The people then left out in
the cold were too "small potatoes" to
have a Committee specially nominated to
look after their interests. We believe that
the principal applicant for an increase of
salary in the present instance will be found
to be the Honorable the Colonial Secretary
and Registrar General, who, after having
full knowledge both of the work
to be done and of the cost of living
in the Colony, elected—volunteered,
we believe, would be the better word—to
take the combined offices for the salary
payable to the Colonial Secretary, would
now like to off his bargain and to get a very considerable increase of salary
in consideration of the very heavy and
responsible duties attached to the higher
office. We sincerely hope that he will be
held to the bargain he made with his eyes
wide open, and get nothing. We hope too
that the Commission when appointed will
sit with open doors and let the public,
through the press, hear from day to day
the evidence put before it. Much of it
might be supplemented or corrected by
the comments of the daily papers and much
additional light might thus be thrown on
the whole subject of the civil adminis-
tration of the Colony. The Return moved
by Mr. WHITHEAD will, we trust, be published
promptly. We are curious to see by how much our worthy Governor has
diminished the expenses during his period
in office, as per his repeated promises.

REVIEW OF THE JUBILEE.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1897.

THEIR WANT A RISE!

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1897.

A SHIP'S DOCTOR KILLED.

SAD ACCIDENT AT PORT DARWIN.

We regret to announce that a sad accident occurred during the voyage of the E. & A. Co.'s steamer *Manmusr*, which arrived this morning from Sydney via ports, the result being the death of the ship's Surgeon, Dr. Edward Percival France. The *Manmusr* arrived at Port Darwin on May 20th and the doctor and several other gentlemen went ashore. They returned to the ship at 11.15 the same night and found the gang plank almost perpendicular, the fall of tide at the port being so great as 28 ft. Dr. France started to walk down the plank with his face towards the ship but after going a little distance he turned round and essayed the descent backwards. After a couple of steps he appeared to have stepped outside the plank and fell over striking the girders of the wharf with a terrific crash before reaching the water. He was at once picked up and was found to be unconscious. Dr. O'Flaherty, the Government Health Officer, was summoned but the unfortunate gentleman never rallied and he died shortly after midnight, death being pronounced due to a fracture of the skull. A formal enquiry was held and at 9 a.m. next day the body was taken ashore in one of the steamer's boats to the old boat jetty and thence to the cemetery, the funeral being attended by Captain G. McArthur and his officers and passengers.

Dr. France was at one time Government Medical Officer at Sarawak, North Borneo, and he came out from home some 12 months ago in the E. & A. Co.'s new steamer *Australasian* this being his first trip in the *Manmusr*. He was 32 years of age, unmarried, and was a native of Bradford, Yorkshire. His gentle and kindly unassuming manners made him a great favourite with the officers and passengers in his different ships and his professional skill was of a high order. A subscription list was opened on the *Manmusr* among the officers and passengers to have a memorial stone erected over his grave at Port Darwin.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE.

THE HONGKONG CITIZENS' ADDRESS.

At the office of Mr. N. J. Ede (Union Insurance Society), 11, Asia Central, a Telegraph reporter was to-day afforded an opportunity of inspecting the address forwarded by the Queen on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee. The address is bound in album covers of Chinese blackwood, measuring 12 in. by 15 in. and is adorned with very rich carvings. In the centre of the cover is a panel, oblong in shape, and there are four circular panels in the corners, each bearing Chinese characters in pure gold expressive of the good wishes of Queen Victoria's subjects in this colony. On the centre panel the words "May the Queen live for ever" is blazoned in golden characters in Chinese and on the corners are hieroglyphics expressive of "Longevity," "Prosperity," "Health" and "Peace." The groundwork of the panels is a finely cut diaper-pattern which enhances the general effect and helps set off the golden letters. An allegorical carving of dragons fighting to reach the sun through the clouds adorns the lower margin and the conventional bat of the Chinese figures prominently at the top, the whole design harmonising well in view of the occasion. A set of stuffed gold-coloured silk holds the album itself and the *sout ensemble* is decidedly characteristic of the Far East. Mr. Lok Hing is responsible for much of this work and to him is due all praise for the way in which he has executed it. Rich scarlet and gold brocade line the cover and in large characters on the front are the words "To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty." Then follows the address which we have already published. The latter is a fine piece of high-class typography, the lettering being in neutral green, printed on cream-coloured Japanese vellum and titled "With pale gold." The ornamentation, border and decorations are printed in deep gold, and this work, executed by Messrs Kelly & Walsh, is of a style that would be hard to surpass anywhere. The thanks of the community are due to Mr. J. B. Coupland, who, with his well-known artistic ability, gave his services in designing the address and in supervising its execution throughout.

ANOTHER ARSON CASE!

MAGISTERIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Teng Kwan Ting, the master of the Kwong On Inn tobacconist shop, No. 231 Queen's Road Central, was charged at the Magistracy to-day that "he feloniously, unlawfully and maliciously did set fire to a certain dwelling house, being No. 231 Queen's Road Central and No. 56 Jervois St., certain persons namely Fong Wah, Li Hing, Wong Loo, Tsui Kwong Lo, there, to wit, at the time of the committing of the felony aforesaid, being in the said dwelling house on the 21st day of May 1897 at Victoria in this Colony, and further that he the said Tseng Kwan Ting feloniously unlawfully and maliciously did set fire to the said dwelling house being No. 231 Queen's Road Central and No. 56 Jervois Street with the intent thereto to defraud the South British Insurance Company, Limited, of New Zealand, on the 21st May, 1897, at Victoria in this colony; and further that Tseng Kwan Ting and Wong Kwoh Shei being civil disposed persons and wickedly devised and intended to defraud and prejudice certain persons heretofore mentioned on the 21st day of May did amongst themselves conspire, combine, confederate and agree together feloniously and fraudulently to set fire to a certain house being No. 231 Queen's Road Central and No. 56 Jervois St. with the intent thereto to defraud the South British Insurance Co. Ltd., of New Zealand, at Victoria in this Colony."

Mr. H. L. Denys (Crown Solicitor) proceeded, Mr. H. J. Holmes appeared for one of the witnesses, Wong Yut Pong. Mr. Reece watched the proceedings on behalf of the accused, and Mr. Crombie represented the South British Fire Insurance Company.

Li Sung P. C. 225, sworn, said that at about 1.40 p.m. on the 21st ult., he was near the Gough St. steps. He looked about and saw some smoke coming from the verandahs of the first floor of 231 Queen's Road Central. A boy was standing near the door crying. He asked him why he cried and he said that the house was on fire. He pushed open the door and saw flames issuing from the accountant's room. He went in the room and found four different parts on fire.

The case was then adjourned till 2 p.m. on Friday for a pig to be made of the premises.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

ADELAIDE, May 3rd.

Judge Way attends at Windsor to-morrow to go through the ceremony of being sworn in as Privy Councillor.

News has at last been received that leaves little doubt that Jones and Wells, the missing members of the Wells exploring party, and for whom a party under the leadership of Calvert has been searching for some time, have both been murdered. The sea ch. party have found natives who were wearing pieces of clothing, and were in possession of articles known to belong to the deceased explorers. A further search has been organised.

The H.M.S. *Orlando* the flagship of the Australian squadron, arrives here on the 12th inst.

The Goodwood Handicap was run on Saturday last and was won by *Orient*, with The Don second and *Stafford* third.

Canada has contributed £40,000 to the Indian Famine Fund.

A party of West African slave raiders were attacked by British expedition and several killed.

Mr. J. Largdon Parsons is offering himself as a candidate at the forthcoming Legislative Council elections.

A most destructive earthquake and tidal wave is reported by cable as having occurred at Mersa, Auligus, and Gaudeloupe. Hundreds of the population were killed by falling buildings, and large numbers of others were drowned. The total damage cannot yet be ascertained, but the destruction was appalling.

LONDON, May 11th.

A large quantity of artillery shells and a million cartridges are being sent to South Africa.

The Victoria Cross has been conferred upon Captain Nesbit and on Trooper Henderson, for their distinguished bravery during the Mattocks campaign.

The Transvaal Government has engaged a German officer as instructor to the Transvaal military forces.

The South African Political Society are strongly urging the Cape Government to support the demand of Great Britain for the observance by the Transvaal Government of the terms of the London Convention.

London, May 11th.

His Holiness the Pope is sending an envoy to London to attend the Queen's record reign celebrations.

MELBOURNE, May 11th.

The drought existing in the northern districts of Victoria is being very severely felt.

ADELAIDE May 11th.

In consequence of the continued drought in South Australia, to-morrow has been appointed a day of humiliation and prayer throughout the colony. The outlook in the country is very unpromising.

The Hon. J. L. Parsons, Japanese Consul for South Australia, has been advised of the intended visit to Australia of two Japanese Commissioners, whose chief object is to acquire as to the purchase of horses, and investigate Australian systems of horse breeding.

West Australia is inviting tenders for a new loan of one million at 3 per cent.

Preparations for war are proceeding at the Cape. One million cartridges and large quantities of shells are being sent out by England. London papers express the opinion that the Right Hon. J. Chamberlain's patience is exhausted at the persistent departure of the Transvaal Government from the terms of the Anglo-Boer Convention.

Giffen's team of cricketers returned from West Australia this morning. They report that the tour was a success financially to its promoters.

Miller Bros. have succeeded in floating their West Australian Timber Co. in London with a capital of £350,000, which was largely over-subscribed.

Coolgardie people have subscribed £1,000 for Kennedy, the proprietor of the hotel lately burnt down.

It is cabled that Germany is determined to arm her artillery with the latest quick-firing gun to a cost of £10,000,000.

The British troops have captured the Bechuana natives, stronghold. Seventy natives were killed.

SYDNEY, May 11th.

Mr. G. H. Reid, the New South Wales Premier, has left Sydney on his way to England to attend the Jubilee celebrations.

PARTH, May 11th.

The gold yield of Western Australia for the month of April amounted to 36,662.

ME BURNE, May 11th.

The intercolonial eight-car race took place at Melbourne, the event being won by the Victorians from the West Australian Queenslanders being nowhere.

The sculling race was won by E. Powell, of Western Australia, who easily defeated the Queensland competitor.

LONDON, May 12th.

A fire broke out on the steamer *Lion* while bound from New York to Calcutta, and thirteen of the people on board were suffocated. Eighteen of the ship's stokers, who attempted to desert the ship, were compelled at point of revolver to resume work.

SYDNEY, May 12th.

A Full Court at Sydney has granted a rule moved on behalf of Butler, charged with atrocious murders, calling on the publishers of certain papers to show cause why they should not be attacked for publishing matter in reference to Butler's case.

SYDNEY, May 12th.

A fire at Tamworth has destroyed property of the value of £10,000.

SYDNEY, May 12th.

The Sydney Morning Herald, Telegraph, Star, and Evening News, of Sydney, have each been fined £100 for contempt of court in publishing statements in the Butler murder case.

MELBOURNE, May 12th.

A farmer named Watson residing at Avoca cut the throat of his wife and five children with a razor last night, and went down to the river this morning, attached a stone to his neck and drowned himself.

May 12th.

The Sydney Parliament is engaged in discussing the Commonwealth Bill.

Edward Barlow, Q.C., has accepted a seat in the Upper House at Sydney.

In the city rice rations are failing, and hopes are entertained that the drought has finally broken up.

All the Powers agree to support Greece in her action in resisting the Turkish demand of £10,000,000 war indemnity, and the cession by Greece of Thessaly to Turkey.

SYDNEY, May 12th.

Jackson has arranged to fight Slavin at San Francisco in July.

The Greek troops fought nine hours at Do-mokos against the Turks, but were ultimately beaten, and retreated in disorder, losing their millions of war.

Chief Justice Way, of New South Wales, sat at the Privy Council yesterday for the first time.

SYDNEY, May 12th.

Butler says that about ten years ago he was a temperance lecturer and travelled through

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CALENDAR.

JUNE.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer 30.77
Thermometer 80.5
Humidity 84
Rainfall 16.07

TO-DAY.

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Captain P. Wetlin, due here with the outward

German Mail about the 31st instant will leave for

the above place about THURSDAY, the 3rd June.

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